

From: [Kessler, Katrina \(MPCA\)](#)
To: [Ramach, Sean](#)
Cc: [Weiss, Steven \(MPCA\)](#); [Pierard, Kevin](#); [Holst, Linda](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting with EPA
Date: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 3:50:36 PM

Hello all:

I just spoke with Rebecca Flood, our assistant Commissioner for Water. She is expecting to talk to Tinka tomorrow who has indicated that she will articulate HQ's questions. Before Steve and I commit to covering specifics in a call with HQ NPDES folks it will be good to talk tomorrow about: what are the outstanding questions, what questions are directly related to the standard and what questions are related to implementation, and what questions MN should weigh in on and what issues we should defer to R5. We don't want to wade into any details that will just confuse the standard/implementation issue. More than anything we want to be helpful to you but in order to do that we need to know what level of detail is required to answer any outstanding questions.

Thanks!

Katrina

From: Ramach, Sean [mailto:Ramach.Sean@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 2:57 PM
To: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA)
Cc: Weiss, Steven (MPCA); Pierard, Kevin
Subject: RE: Meeting with EPA

Hi Katrina,

We are set for tomorrow afternoon at 3 PM to discuss the meeting next Tuesday and we are confirmed for next Tuesday starting at 8 am. Sorry for the early start, but thanks for being accommodating. Steve, you'll be up anyway, but hopefully at home! Congrats again.

I will try to talk with Kevin a little to see if we can frame something for an agenda for tomorrow. I also invited Linda and Dave for tomorrow and they will be involved in the Tuesday call as well.

Cheers,

Sean Ramach

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From: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA) [mailto:katrina.kessler@state.mn.us]
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 8:59 AM
To: Ramach, Sean
Cc: Weiss, Steven (MPCA)
Subject: Re: Meeting with EPA

I can be available tomorrow afternoon. I think it is important to understand in advance what specifically you think we should share with HQ e.g., scope, level of detail, topics, and any direct questions we should be prepared to answer.

Thanks

Sent from Katrina's Blackberry

From: Ramach, Sean [mailto:Ramach.Sean@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 08:39 AM
To: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA)
Subject: RE: Meeting with EPA

Sorry, this would be the call with HQ, thought I said that in the voicemail but was scrambling to get the calendars figured out as next week being a holiday week, it's a bit chaotic. We would probably want to have a pre-call to talk about the content prior to actually meeting with HQ. Steve and I have

a call scheduled for tomorrow afternoon that we may be able to use if you and Kevin are available or Friday may be best to give everyone chance to get the ducks lined up. We are reaching out to HQ today to see if they can free up any better time later in the day or week, but for now, I would tentatively block out the Tuesday morning time.

Cheers,

Sean Ramach

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From: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA) [<mailto:katrina.kessler@state.mn.us>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 7:41 AM

To: Ramach, Sean

Cc: Weiss, Steven (MPCA)

Subject: RE: Meeting with EPA

Good morning Sean.

This Friday morning or next Tuesday morning will work for me. As you noted in your voicemail Steve's availability over the next couple weeks is questionable. Depending on the content we need to cover I may pull in some other staff to help me. When I spoke with Kevin we talked about potentially having a conference call to plan a call with HQ. Will you please clarify for me what the purpose of the call is that we are scheduling?

Many thanks!

Katrina

From: Ramach, Sean [<mailto:Ramach.Sean@epa.gov>]

Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 4:33 PM

To: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA)

Subject: Meeting with EPA

Hi Katrina,

Just left you a voice mail and identified a few times for a potential meeting. I found one more time and did a summary below. If you can let me know if any of those times work for you, that would be great. We are anticipating a 1 hour meeting.

Friday, Oct.10 morning

Tuesday Oct 14 at 8 am or 8:30 am

Thursday Oct 16 at 1 PM

Cheers,

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